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IN REPLY REFER TO:
Case Nos.: 03-09-0041P and 03-09-0694X

The Honorable Yvonne Burke
Chair, Los Angeles County
Board of Supervisors
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Community: Los Angeles County, CA
Community No.: 065043
Panel Affected: 0345 B
Effective Date of **APR 30 2003**
This Revision:

102-I-C

Dear Ms. Burke:

This responds to a request that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) revise the effective Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for your community in accordance with Part 65 of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) regulations. In a letter dated October 8, 2002, [REDACTED], Engineering Aide, Development Services, City of Santa Clarita, requested that FEMA revise the FIRM to show the effects of updated topographic information, placement of fill associated with development of the Creekside subdivision, and construction of the Decoro Drive bridge along San Francisquito Canyon Creek from approximately 1,800 feet downstream to approximately 2,300 feet upstream of Decoro Drive. On March 17, 2003, FEMA initiated a revision to the same FIRM in accordance with Part 65 of the NFIP regulations to show the effects of updated topographic information and placement of fill along San Francisquito Canyon Creek from approximately 2,300 feet upstream of Decoro Drive to Copper Hill Drive, associated with construction of the East Creek and Creekside subdivisions. Because these two revisions affect adjacent reaches along the same flooding source, we are issuing a single Letter of Map Revision (LOMR). This LOMR follows up on a Conditional Letter of Map Revision issued on February 27, 2001 (Case No. 00-09-748R), and supersedes a LOMR dated September 12, 2002 (Case No. 02-09-1297P).

All data required to complete our review of this request were submitted with letters from [REDACTED], P.E., President; [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], all with Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc., and [REDACTED].

We have completed our review of the submitted data and the flood data shown on the effective FIRM. We have revised the FIRM to modify the floodplain boundary delineations of the flood having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year (base flood) along San Francisquito Canyon Creek from approximately 500 feet downstream of Decoro Drive to approximately 1,800 feet upstream of Copper Hill Drive. As a result of the modifications, the width of the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), the area that would be inundated by the base flood, for San Francisquito Canyon Creek increased in some areas and decreased in other areas. In addition, we have updated the corporate limits on the FIRM to show annexations by the City of Santa Clarita. The modifications are shown on the enclosed annotated copy of FIRM Panel 0345 B. This LOMR hereby revises the above-referenced panel of the effective FIRM dated December 2, 1980.

Because this revision request also affects the City of Santa Clarita, a separate LOMR for that community was issued on the same date as this LOMR.

The modifications are effective as of the date shown above. The map panel listed above and as modified by this letter will be used for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued for your community.

A review of the determination made by this LOMR and any requests to alter this determination should be made within 30 days. Any request to alter the determination must be based on scientific or technical data.

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panel and FIS report warrant physical revision and republication in the future, we will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at that time.

This LOMR is based on minimum floodplain management criteria established under the NFIP. Your community is responsible for approving all floodplain development and for ensuring all necessary permits required by Federal or State law have been received. State, county, and community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction in the SFHA. If the State, county, or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, these criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP criteria.

Because this LOMR will not be printed and distributed to primary users, such as local insurance agents and mortgage lenders, your community will serve as a repository for these new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information reflected by this LOMR throughout the community, so that interested persons, such as property owners, local insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, may benefit from the information. We also encourage you to prepare a related article for publication in your community's local newspaper. This article should describe the changes that have been made and the assistance that officials of your community will give to interested persons by providing these data and interpreting the NFIP maps.

This determination has been made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-234) and is in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Public Law 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed minimum NFIP criteria. These criteria are the minimum and do not supersede any State or local requirements of a more stringent nature. This includes adoption of the effective FIRM to which the regulations apply and the modifications made by this LOMR. Our records show that your community has met this requirement.

A Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) has been designated to assist your community. The CCO will be the primary liaison between your community and FEMA. For information regarding your CCO, please contact:

Mr. Jack Eldridge
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Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region IX
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(510) 627-7184

If you have any questions regarding floodplain management regulations for your community or the NFIP in general, please call the CCO for your community at the telephone number cited above. If you have any questions regarding this LOMR, please call our Map Assistance Center, toll free, at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627).

Sincerely,




Max H. Yuan, P.E., Project Engineer
Hazard Study Branch
Federal Insurance and
Mitigation Administration

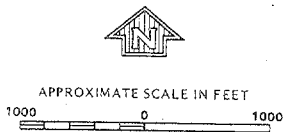
For: Mary Jean Pajak, P.E., Acting Chief
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Enclosure


cc: The Honorable Cameron Smythe
Mayor, City of Santa Clarita

Mr. Rod H. Kubomoto
Assistant Deputy Director
Watershed Management Division
County of Los Angeles

, P.E.
President
Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc.



MAP LEGEND

 Revised 100-Year Floodplain

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

FIRM
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
CALIFORNIA
(UNINCORPORATED AREAS)

PANEL 345 OF 1275
(FOR LIST OF PANELS NOT PRINTED)

**REVISED TO
REFLECT LOMR
DATED APR 30 2003**

COMMUNITY-PANEL NUMBER
065043 0345 B

EFFECTIVE DATE:
DECEMBER 2, 1980



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